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## PRESIDENT WILSON DECIDES TO LIFT EMBARGO ON ARMS AND AMMUNITION TO MEXICO

### EXPECTS TO HASTEN END OF WAR AND VICTORY OF CONSTITUTIONALISTS

Proclamation Will Be Issued from White House Restoring to Both Huerta and Carranza Privilege of Importing Machinery of War from United States; President Convinced Embargo Amounts Virtually to Discrimination Against Rebels Who Cannot Get Stuff from Foreign Countries.

### REVOLTOSOS SERIOUSLY HANDICAPPED BY INABILITY TO GET GUNS; ENABLES FEDERALS TO HOLD THE BIG CITIES

(By Leased Wire to Evening Herald.)  
Washington, Feb. 3.—President Wilson has decided to lift the embargo on exportation of arms to Mexico.

A proclamation under the authority of the congressional resolution of 1912, which will restore the status of the arms question to where both Huerta forces and constitutionalists may import arms from the United States, soon will be issued from the White House.

News of the action about to be taken by President Wilson became known today through sources which have been constantly advised of the administration's policy in Mexico. It also became known that the subject had been discussed at the cabinet meeting today.

There were intimations that an official announcement of the administration's purpose would be coming from the White House later.

It is believed President Wilson finally decided to raise the embargo after being convinced that by restricting shipments of arms to Mexico the United States was not really showing neutrality, which was the purpose of the embargo, but was in fact showing partiality, as the Huerta forces were enabled to get large supplies from abroad while the constitutionalists, limited almost entirely to shipments from the United States, could get arms and ammunition practically only by smuggling.

It has been frequently reported to the administration during the progress of the Mexican negotiations, that if the United States would permit free shipments of arms to General Carranza, the constitutionalists would undertake to restore peace in Mexico and set up a constitutional government within a short time.

It was understood in official circles that announcement of the president's determination to lift the embargo had gone forward to Charles O'Shaughnessy in Mexico City, probably with instructions to advise the Huerta government.

Constitutionalist agents in Washington learned of the development unofficially and declared that the end of the war was in sight.

Senators of the foreign relations committee have been urging President Wilson to permit free importation of arms to the battlefields in the hope that the war might soon be ended. Those close to the president said that he would take such action as only one of the last resorts in his Mexican policy, preferring to depend for a time on the "moral pressure" and the "financial blockade," which has so far stopped the Huerta government from obtaining credit abroad, has only recently caused it to default in the interest of the Mexican public debt and has seen the armies of the constitutionalists steadily marching on from victory to victory.

The only word that came from the White House was that an important communication would be made at 5 p. m. today. White House officials declined to divulge its nature.

There is every reason to believe that under the authority of the joint resolution of March 14, 1912, President Wilson will continue to exercise discretionary power in issuing permits for the exportation of arms, so that they may not fall into the hands of irresponsible persons.

So far as possible only the military chiefs on both sides of the Mexican revolt will obtain the munitions of war, though exactly how that will be done has not yet been worked out.

The president's decision was reached after many months of careful study of the arms problem, and while in the first instance the belief of the administration was that the denial of arms was a humane act, the conviction has grown on the Washington government that its policy has not operated equally toward the warring factions.

Partially instead of neutrality was the result of the policy, in the opinion of the president and members of his cabinet, who finally determined that the real neutral course would be to put both factions on an even footing. The administration also believes that to permit the situation to drift along would be contributing to an incessant struggle. It has been urged by many administration supporters that the removal of the embargo would in reality shorten the contest and bring it to a quick conclusion.

Officials here with intimate knowledge of Mexican campaigns say the constitutionalist forces have been greatly handicapped because of the superior artillery of the Huerta army. From European countries the Huerta government is said to have been importing 30-millimeter cannon for the defense of the large cities, through open ports on the Atlantic and Pacific still under their control. The constitutionalists have been almost entirely without heavy artillery. They even have been put to the straits of manufacturing guns out of other machinery. This superior artillery has enabled the Huerta forces to hold the large cities of the south, against which Villa with a rebel army estimated at 15,000 men now is preparing to move as the first step in a campaign against Mexico City. Every administration official who was informed of the impending step emphasized that the Washington government was not raising the embargo to aid the constitutionalists nor as evidence of sympathy with their cause, but merely to correct an inequality in the warfare which has been brought about by the operation of the proclamation of 1912.

Senator Borah of Idaho, who urged that the embargo be lifted as far back as last August, said today that many other members of the foreign relations committee had come to that same conclusion since that time.

"I believe that to raise the embargo is the only thing to do. I believe that it will bring peace in Mexico much sooner than it could otherwise be brought," said he.

Senator Root, author of the congressional resolution, which empow-

It is the wise course to pursue.

#### CAUSES REMOVED AMONG THE REBELS

General Villa said his army now would be no longer handicapped by the difficulty in obtaining ammunition. It is likely that money in the rebel treasury will immediately be appropriated for the purchase of arms and ammunition and large orders will be placed in the United States.

"Once more we have proof that the United States is the greatest friend the Mexican people have," said General Villa. "This latest act of friendship will do more than anything else to bind the two countries together, and I predict that when the revolution is ended, which it soon will be, Mexico and the United States will be more closely allied than they ever were before."

#### FUNSTON ON WAY TO TAKE CHARGE AT BORDER

Omaha, Neb., Feb. 3.—Brigadier General Frederick Funston, recently transferred from command of the troops in the Hawaiian Islands to command of the Fifth brigade, now patrolling the Mexican border, with headquarters at Omaha, arrived here last night and left today for Texas City to assume his new command.

#### MAJOR GENERAL CARTER RETURNS FROM TEXAS

Chicago, Feb. 3.—Major General W. H. Carter, in command of the Central department of the United States army, returned here today from Texas, where he was in charge of the mobilization camp of the second army division. He is to remain here until the end of the month, when he will sail for Honolulu to take command of the Hawaiian department.

#### NO EXCITEMENT FELT IN CITY OF MEXICO

Mexico City, Feb. 3.—The news that President Wilson had decided to raise the embargo on the exportation of arms from the United States to Mexico had been learned by few people this afternoon. There was no excitement in connection with the action.

#### GREAT SATISFACTION EXPRESSED ON BORDER

Douglas, Ariz., Feb. 3.—President Wilson's decision to lift the embargo on shipments of arms to the revolutionaries of Mexico, elicited expressions of great satisfaction today from Mexicans and Americans. The news spread rapidly all along the border and constitutionalist officers and sympathizers predicted that the lifting of the embargo presaged the early termination of warfare in Mexico.

Thousands of men in northern Mexico cannot join the constitutionalists' army because of no arms.

The lifting of the embargo will enable rebel commanders to equip large bodies of men to reinforce commands now operating against the Huerta government.

#### VANISHED GOLD MINER SOLDIER OF FORTUNE IS OFFICIALLY DEAD

(By Leased Wire to Evening Herald.)  
New York, Feb. 3.—John Kopp, gold miner and soldier of fortune, who disappeared from New York seventeen years ago and has not been heard from in sixteen years, has been declared officially dead by Referee Michael Egan.

If the referee's report is accepted by Surrogate Cohnen, \$161,253 held for Kopp by the city chamberlain will be divided among the miners' four brothers and sisters.

The following year a letter was received from him dated Oroville, Cal. It said an epidemic of smallpox had hit the town and he needed money to get away. A money order for \$75 was sent by his mother. This was cashed and its record in the last trace the family had of Kopp.

Mr. Kopp died in 1901 intestate, leaving a substantial fortune. Under the law one-fifth was the property of the missing son.

Radium Proves Unavailing.  
Baltimore, Feb. 3.—Although he seemed a fairly comfortable sight, Robert G. Brenner, the New Jersey congressman who is suffering with a malignant cancer at a sanatorium here, was reported to be weaker today. The radium applications have been discontinued, as hope for the patient's recovery has been abandoned.

#### Rockefeller Asked to Cough Up Taxes on \$900,000,000

(By Leased Wire to Evening Herald.)  
Cleveland, O., Feb. 3.—John D. Rockefeller and William Agnew, deputy state taxation officers for Cuyahoga county, went to the home of John D. Rockefeller on Forest Hill, East Cleveland, today and filed a written demand on him that he pay taxes on his personal property, estimated at \$900,000,000, into the treasury of this county.

They claim that under the Warner tax law Rockefeller, by residing in the county for the greater part of the preceding twelve months, has made himself liable to taxation here.

### "GRAFT" YELLS SULZER; MR. MURPHY STANDS PAT

T. R. Will Clean Up New York Says Bill

Tammany Chief Says He's Boss to Stay

(By Leased Wire to Evening Herald.)  
Albany, N. Y., Feb. 3.—Former Governor Sulzer made his "unaided speech" in the state assembly today in support of a motion to bring before the house the schamp resolution for a state-wide graft investigation.

"The whole official atmosphere is saturated with graft, graft, graft," shouted Mr. Sulzer. "No man knows more of graft than I, nor has any been a greater victim."

"There is no politics in graft. All cranks look alike to the taxpayer, and I have no hesitancy in saying—and I know—that over \$5,000,000 of the taxpayers' money was stolen in highway construction in 1912. So with the canals, so with other state departments—pillage running into millions."

"We demand a statewide probe. Let us separate the sheep from the goats. Kraw, with shame, that men in highest positions are now straining every nerve to cover up crime and protect men who ought to be in prison."

"I am here as an independent. I owe no allegiance to any party. My purpose before this session is over is to tell some truths that will shame the people of this state so far as William Sulzer is concerned."

Mr. Sulzer referred vaguely to "someone" who is said "will take control of state affairs on January 1, next, and conduct them as they should be conducted."

At the conclusion of his remarks, Sulzer was asked to whom he referred in connection with the next governorship.

"Roosevelt, of course," was the answer.

### HEARING TO FIX CHARGE FOR FREE SERVICE

Interstate Commerce Board to Look into Question of \$15,000,000 Annual Gift by Railroads to Industries.

(By Leased Wire to Evening Herald.)  
Washington, Feb. 3.—Another new development was thrown today into the freight rate case before the interstate commerce commission in which the fifty-two eastern railroads are seeking to advance their charges five per cent, when Commissioner Harlan announced that the commission intended to hold supplementary hearings on the question of fixing reasonable charges for free service which railroad systems now perform for large industrial plants. The recent decision in the industrial railway case indicated that such free services would cost the railroads \$15,000,000 a year.

#### SEEMS TO REOPEN NEW HAVEN INVESTIGATION

Washington, Feb. 3.—Senator Norris today introduced a resolution for the interstate commerce commission to reopen its New Haven, New Haven & Hartford railroad inquiry. The resolution would direct special inquiry on "what became of New Haven funds wrongfully invested in fictitious values."

"Whether those authorizing such investments and those benefiting are liable to punishment," "Whether such funds so invested can be recovered by New Haven stockholders."

"What legislation, if any, is necessary to prevent the recurrence of similar transactions."

Consideration of the resolution went over until tomorrow.

#### ASSETS OF ORIENT MUST RISE AT LEAST \$6,000,000

Kansas City, Feb. 3.—Assets of the Kansas City, Mexico & Orient railroad are to be sold within sixty days for not less than \$6,000,000, under the terms of an order signed in the federal court here today by Judge John C. Pollock. Carrying out the order of sale means the dissolution of the receivership that has controlled the Orient as a disciplinary company since March, 1912.

Judge Pollock announced that he would fix the date of sale and name a special master to take charge of it as soon as the solicitors for the bondholders shall inform him of their readiness for such action.

#### Huge Cotton Fires in Texas

Houston, Tex., Feb. 3.—Property damage estimated at nearly one million dollars was done at Clinton, Texas, today when between fifteen and twenty thousand bales of cotton were either consumed or badly damaged by fire.

### 200,000 WOMEN REGISTERED TO VOTE IN CHICAGO

Seven Hundred of Gentler Sex Act as Judges and Clerks of Election for First Time in History of Illinois.

#### IOWA WOMEN VOTE BETTER THAN MEN

Chicago, Feb. 3.—Chicago women demonstrated today their approval of women sharing political life. Thousands visited the polling places and registered, thereby qualifying to vote at the coming primaries and at the April election of aldermen.

Early estimates that the number of women to register would nearly equal the male registers, were more than borne out in many precincts, where more women than men were recorded.

Nearly 70,000 women had registered in the first two hours today.

(By Leased Wire to Evening Herald.)  
Chicago, Feb. 3.—Women today registered for the first time in Chicago preparatory to exercising their right of franchise at the spring aldermanic primaries.

Upwards of 200,000 women, according to conservative estimates, will have become voters by the time the polls close at 9 o'clock tonight. Not less than 50,000 men, who have changed their residence within the last year will have qualified, according to estimates.

Acting as judges and clerks of election for the first time in the history of Illinois, approximately 700 women assisted in registering the new voters.

#### IOWA WOMEN VOTE BETTER THAN THE MEN

Ottumwa, Ia., Feb. 3.—More than 2,000 women voted at yesterday's election here on a question of municipally owned street lights and besides aiding to carry the project by a vote of nearly 4 to 1, showed more ability at voting than did the men, according to election officials today. About seven men voted to every four women but of the ballot more were spoiled and therefore not included in the count, the ratio being about three to two in favor of the women.

#### NEW JERSEY HOUSE PASSES AMENDMENT

Trenton, N. J., Feb. 3.—The House

### ALL SPANIARDS IN TORREON TO BE SHOT, SAYS VILLA

Humane Rebel Commander Issues Warning That Castilians May Expect Adobes Wall and a Firing Squad.

#### KNOWS THEY HELP FEDERAL FACTION

Chief Declares Americans Are His Amigos and He in Turn Feels Deepest Affection Toward Us.

(By Leased Wire to Evening Herald.)

Juarez, Mexico, Feb. 3.—A warning was issued by General Francisco Villa today that all Spaniards captured in the Torreon campaign will be summarily dealt with. General Villa said he had positive proof that Spaniards in Torreon had taken up arms against the rebel, and that all these would be shot. Others, he said, would be banished from the country.

"In conformity with my conception of justice I wish to notify all foreign governments that I have positive information that the Spanish residents of Torreon have sided with the federal forces there and that it is my purpose to execute those Spaniards if we capture them," said General Villa. "I am making this statement now so that no surprise will be expressed later and to give such Spaniards an opportunity to leave the country before they fall into my hands. I hope this notice to the United States and to Spain will be accepted as a friendly warning."

The last time we took Torreon, I captured 71 Spaniards. Each of them promised never to take up arms against me again. But now I find that all Spaniards in Torreon are armed. Therefore, I say that they will be shot if captured. Those against whom I have no positive proof will be banished from the country, as they were from Chihuahua.

"In this connection let me say that Americans may have no fear. I respect the high dignity with which Americans have conducted themselves during this revolution as a friend of our cause. I feel the deepest friendship toward the United States. All American property will be protected."

General Villa found it necessary to delay his intended departure for Chihuahua today.

#### FEDERAL TROOPS ATTEMPT TO DESTROY BRIDGE

Culiacan, Sinaloa, Feb. 3.—Acting in concert with the garrisons of Guaymas and Mazatlan to destroy constitutionalist lines of communication and surround General Carranza, federal troops from Tepic, Jalisco, attempted to destroy a large railroad bridge near Yago, south of here. They were repulsed, however, according to reports.

The sortie of the Tepic garrison followed similar attempts to cut off Carranza, made by the Huerta garrison at Guaymas and Mazatlan. On the body of a federal colonel commanding, killed in a fight last week near Guaymas, an order from Huerta was found, instructing him to cut the rebel railway communications. The insurgents believe the Mazatlan and Tepic garrisons received similar orders.

#### MADERO MINISTER'S BROTHER SENT TO PENITENTIARY

Mexico City, Feb. 3.—Jose Vera Redondo, a brother of Jorge Vera Redondo, minister of public instruction in the late President Madero's cabinet, was arrested today and sent to the penitentiary. The charge against him was not made public. Redondo has been observed writing a letter to his brother who on January 22, was deported to San Francisco by Nelson O'Shaughnessy, American charge d'affaires. The letter was seized.

#### VANDERBILT YACHT PULLED OFF ROCKS

(By Leased Wire to Evening Herald.)  
New York, Feb. 3.—Frederick W. Vanderbilt's yacht, *Warrior*, which went aground recently off the coast of Colombia, has been floated and is being towed to Jamaica, according to advices received today at the Maritime exchange here.

Pennsylvania Hanging.  
Williamsport, Pa., Feb. 3.—John Erbel, a steel mill foreman, was hanged here today for the murder in 1912 of Grace Stidole.

Today passed the resolution for a state constitutional amendment extending the right of suffrage to women. The resolution now goes to the senate.

### ALL ASIATIC EXCLUSION MEASURES REJECTED

Republicans and Democrats Join in Overwhelming Defeat of Anti-Oriental Amendments.

#### IMMIGRATION BILL DOESN'T DISCRIMINATE

In Hot Debate, Republicans Appeal to Dominant Party, to Leave Delicate Question to Administration.

(By Leased Wire to Evening Herald.)

Washington, Feb. 3.—All Asiatic exclusion amendments to the immigration bill were defeated today in the house. The Hayes-Lennox amendment was beaten, 193 to 54, after an overwhelming defeat of a similar amendment by Representative Baker.

All the Asiatic exclusion amendments were knocked out of the bill after a hot debate, in which Republicans and Democrats joined in urging their defeat, and the Democrats appealed to the Republicans to leave the Asiatic problem free from legislative entanglements while President Wilson and Secretary Bryan were treating it diplomatically. The bill as it now stands is merely an immigration measure without restrictions as to race or color.

The Lennox-Hayes amendments would have excluded Asiatics except those already provided for in passport agreements or treaties, thus drawn to avoid reference to Japanese or Chinese. Representative Baker, leading the Pacific coast delegation contending for Asiatic exclusion, offered a substitute more drastic in terms. Both were beaten. The debate at times was hot and the house was in confusion.

Republican Leader Mann, in a speech which brought forth outbursts of applause, gravely pleaded with his Republican colleagues to put aside all considerations of party advantage and vote against the amendments.

"We owe an allegiance to the country," he said, "above our party allegiance. Foreign affairs should be handled in a delicate way. We owe it to California to protect her against herself."

Representative Shirley of Kentucky made a similar plea to the Democrats and despite the fact that test votes yesterday showed a strong sentiment for the amendments they were rejected.

The modified "Hayes amendment" was before the house today when it resumed the fight on the Asiatic exclusion feature of the immigration bill.

As modified by Representative Lennox's amendment, adopted last night, it would bar Asiatics and Africans, except those whose entry to the United States has been provided for by treaties or passport arrangements which now exist or may later be entered into.

Chairman Burnett of the immigration committee and his followers began work early today, however, in an attempt to beat the amendment entirely and leave the immigration bill free of Asiatic exclusion features.

#### JEWISH PEOPLE PROTEST AGAINST LITERACY TEST

Springfield, Mass., Feb. 3.—A committee appointed by the convention of B'nai B'rith, representing 1,500,000 Jews, will present to President Wilson and members of congress a resolution opposing the clause in the immigration bill relating to the literacy test. The resolution asks for exemption from the literacy test of "all aliens seeking admission to avoid religious persecution, either through other acts or by oppressive laws."

#### VETERAN EDITOR OF SIOUX CITY DEAD

(By Leased Wire to Evening Herald.)  
Sioux City, Iowa, Feb. 3.—George D. Perkins, aged 74, for forty-five years editor and publisher of the *Sioux City Journal*, died at 6 o'clock this morning in a hospital here, after several weeks' illness, of a complication of diseases. Mr. Perkins was prominent in the councils of the Republican party and had served four terms in congress from the Eleventh Iowa district.